Country Planning Organisation (TCPO) is as under:—

(Population in lakhs)

Name of the Mega City	Slum population 1991	(Population in lakhs) Estimated slum population-2001
Calcutta	36.26	43.15
Greater Mumbai	43.20	58.55
Delhi	22.48	32.63
Chennai	15.25	19.62
Hyderabad	8.59	12.47
Bangalore	5.16	7.95

(b) and (c) It is a State subject and the State Goverments formulate specific plans & programmes for development of slums in various towns & cities as per their priority. However, with a view to ameliorating the living conditions of slum dwellers a Centrally sponsored scheme *viz.* Environmental Improvement of Urban Slums (EIUS) was launched during Fifth Five Year Plan, which was subsequently transferred to State sector in 1974 and since then is being implemented by the State Governments under the Minimum Needs Programme. The Government of India launched a National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) in 1996 to provide additional Central assistance to States/UTs for the development of urban slums. During 1996-97, Rs. 250 crore was allocated and distributed to States/UTs. In the year 1997-98, Rs. 290 crore was released against allocation of Rs. 330 crore. For the year 1998-99 Planning Commission has allocated Rs. 350 crore under NSDP, out of which Rs. 241.13 crore has been released till December, 1998.

Besides, the Centrally sponsored scheme of infrastructure development in Mega Cities applicable to the five Mega Cities of Mumbai, Chennai, Calcutta, Hyderabad and Bangalore has a component of Bustee Development/Slum Settlement Improvement. Currently four externally aided slum improvement projects at Calcutta, Cuttack, Cochin under DFID-UK and at Nagpur under GTZ (German Govt.) are under implementation. Earlier a few slum improvement projects in Visakhapatnam, Hyderabad, Vijayawada & Indore under DFID-UK and in Bangalore under Dutch assistance were undertaken.

Delhi City as Livable Global City

1387. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision to take certain urgent measures to convert Delhi city as a livable global city;

(b) if so, what are the measures Government intend to take; and

(c) whether Government have initiated action on any of the measures?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) to (c) The Government has set up a National Capital Region Planning Board under the NCRPB Act, 1985, which has drawn up a Regional Plan 2001 for NCR with the objective of reducing the population pressures on Delhi and achieving a balanced, harmonised development of the entire National Capital Region.

The Regional Plan, notified in January, 1989 is being implemented by the Central Ministries and member States of NCR through a set of policies and programmes aimed at the development of integrated townships and core regional infrastructure of road, rail & telecommunication network in the Region for dispersing population and economic activities in order to facilitate decongestion of Delhi.

For implementing the various development programmes, the NCR Planning Board has drawn up a Fiscal plan of Rs. 28,000 crores for the IXth Plan, to be funded by the Central Ministries of Surface Transport, Railways & Communications, the member States of Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh & NCT Delhi and the NCR Planning Board. Private Sector is expected to play a significant role by investing over 65% of the overall investments, especially for housing, industries and wholesale trade.

The fiscal plan envisages that each of the Central Ministries and the States have to structure separate 'NCR sub-component Plan' concerning their respective infrastructure/township component and also indicate specific financial allocations therefor within their overall Annual/Five Year Plans.

The Board is pursuing vigorously the implementation of the Regional Plan policies and programmes, with the cooperation to member States and Central Ministries.

Non-filling up of Posts in the Government Presses

1388. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that utilisation capacity of various Goverment of India Presses *i.e.* Minto Road, Ring Road, Rashtrapati Bhavan and Faridabad have been badly affected due to lack of proper hands;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said requirement in each category of post has been pending with his Ministry since long;

(c) if so, what are the views of his Ministry about the non-filling of posts which are very urgently needed; and

(d) what is the detailed information regarding the said requirement of each Press?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT: (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) No, Sir. It is not correct to say that capacity utilisation of presses *i.e.* Minto Road, Ring Road, Rashtrapati Bhawan and Faridabad has been badly affected due to lack of proper hands.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Increase in Unauthorised Constructions/ Encroachments

1389. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether unauthorised constructions/encroachments in the capital are increasing unabated;

(b) if so, whether Government have asked State Government of Delhi to take immediate action on such unauthorised constructions/encroachments take place during the past few years; and

(c) if so, the plans formulated to remove all such unauthorised constructions or encroachments within a stipulated period?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) to (c) Unauthorised constructions/ encroachment on public land in Delhi is a continuing problem and its removal is also a continuous process. As and when unauthorised construction or encroachment of on public land is detected or reported, action under the